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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund (TMSF) 6th Annual Leadership Institute and Recruitment Conference

The Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund (TMSF) is hosting a conference from October 19-23, 2006, at the Sheraton New York Hotel and Towers in New York City, New York. The conference theme is "The Roadmap To Excellence." Conference registration details are available at the web site www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org.

The objective of the conference is to help scholars match their academic achievements with skills needed in the workplace. Scholars from 47 member schools will participate in the four day conference. Additionally, the conference will provide leadership training, interview opportunities with corporate partners, and special recognition at an awards dinner ceremony.

The Department will host a student outreach luncheon on Monday, October 23, 2006, from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. The luncheon will be held at the Sheraton Hotel and Towers, 811 7th Avenue, New York City, New York.

The Career Fair will be held on Monday, October 23, 2006, from 9:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Participation at the conference will provide DoD Components the opportunity to meet some of the best and brightest college students in the country. We additionally encourage the Components' participation in the Career Fair where they can definitely benefit from the accessibility to over 600 talented students, many seeking job opportunities. These students were personally selected by the president of the college/university they attend.

Mr. Clarence A. Johnson, Principal Director, Office of Diversity Management and Equal Opportunity, will coordinate DoD conference support. Ms. Charmane Collins is his point of contact. Ms. Collins may be reached by telephone at (703) 571-9332, fax (703) 571-9338, or via electronic mail at charmane.collins@osd.mil.

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